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**ABSTRACT**

File includes Mr. Helms memorandum for all employees and the program of the ceremony in the Headquarters auditorium.

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# Headquarters EMPLOYEE BULLETIN

#327

27 September 1972

## FILM OF DR. HENRY KISSINGER'S ADDRESS AT THE AGENCY'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY

1. A film of Dr. Henry Kissinger's address at the Agency's 25th anniversary ceremony will be shown in the Headquarters Auditorium at 11:30 a.m., 12 noon, and 12:30 p.m. on 4 and 6 October 1972. The film runs approximately 20 minutes.

2. Components located outside the Headquarters Building may borrow the film by calling Central Reference Service, extension

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# TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY



# 1947-1972

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**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**

*Twenty-Fifth Anniversary*

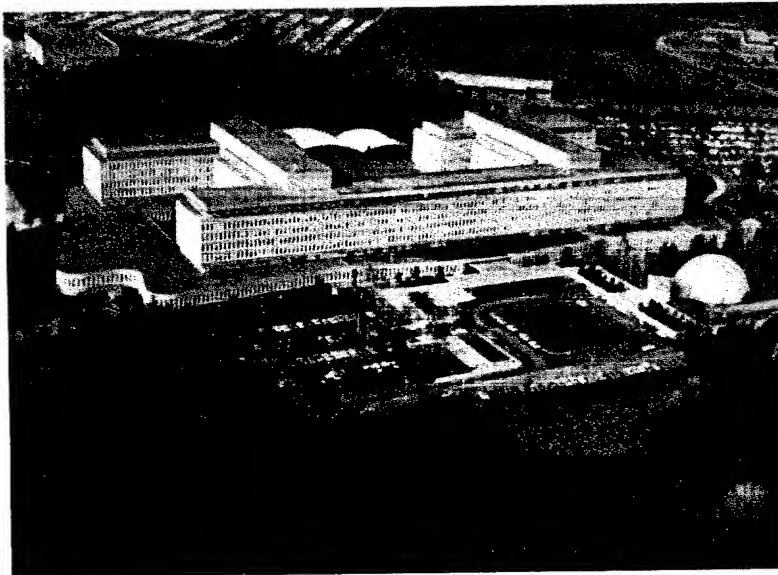


18 September 1972

12 Noon

Headquarters Auditorium

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*"And ye shall know the truth and the  
truth shall make you free"*

. . . . . John VIII-XXXII

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PROGRAM

The National Anthem ..... ASSEMBLY

Leader,  
Accompanist,

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Opening Remarks ..... MR. RICHARD HELMS

*Director of Central Intelligence*

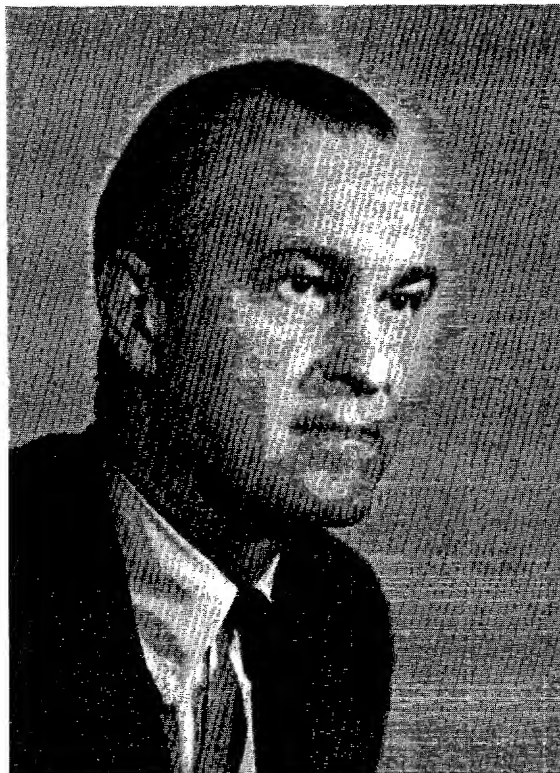
Address ..... DR. HENRY A. KISSINGER

*Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs*

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Floral Arrangements ..... FOUR SEASONS GARDEN CLUB

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THE DIRECTORS OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE



The Honorable Richard Helms  
30 June 1966 - Present

Rear Admiral Roscoe Henry Hillenkoetter, USN  
1 May 1947 - 7 October 1950

General Walter Bedell Smith, USA  
7 October 1950 - 9 February 1953

The Honorable Allen Welsh Dulles  
26 February 1953 - 29 November 1961  
(Acting DCI from 9 - 26 February 1953)

The Honorable John Alex McCone  
29 November 1961 - 28 April 1965

Vice Admiral William Francis Raborn, Jr., USN (Retired)

28 April 1965 - 30 June 1966  
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Lieutenant General Vernon Anthony Walters, USA  
2 May 1972 - Present

Brigadier General Edwin Kennedy Wright, USA  
20 January 1947 - 9 March 1949

The Honorable William Harding Jackson  
7 October 1950 - 3 August 1951

The Honorable Allen Welsh Dulles  
23 August 1951 - 26 February 1953

General Charles Pearre Cabell, USAF  
23 April 1953 - 31 January 1962

Lieutenant General Marshall Sylvester Carter, USA  
3 April 1962 - 28 April 1965

The Honorable Richard Helms  
28 April 1965 - 30 June 1966

Vice Admiral Rufus Lackland Taylor, USN  
13 October 1966 - 31 January 1969

Lieutenant General Robert Everton Cushman, Jr., USMC  
7 May 1969 - 31 December 1971

### A BRIEF HISTORY

On 18 September 1947, 25 years ago, the National Security Act established the National Security Council and under it the Director of Central Intelligence and the Central Intelligence Agency. By law the Director heads the Agency and by Presidential directive he also serves as the President's chief adviser on foreign intelligence matters.

United States intelligence operations have been conducted since the War for American Independence when General George Washington carried on strategic intelligence activities by virtue of his power as Commander-in-Chief. CIA was established to coordinate the foreign intelligence activities of all U.S. agencies and to correlate, evaluate and disseminate the product for the guidance of U.S. policy makers. The 1947 law also provided that CIA was to perform services of common concern for the intelligence community and other functions as the National Security Council directs.

Over these 25 years CIA has earned the confidence of the President, the support of Congress and the respect of the intelligence community. It developed a highly professional staff to cope with the demands of the Cold War and conventional intelligence methods were augmented by creating and applying advanced technology. Employing these new techniques, CIA has provided the President with informed appreciations of conditions in communist areas, clarified the realities of the arms race and assessed events and trends in critical areas around the world.

On the threshold of its second quarter century, the Agency faces new challenges. Among the most significant of these are support of the strategic arms limitation effort, participation in the international war on the illicit narcotics traffic and leadership in implementing the President's instructions of November 1971 that the foreign intelligence activities of the U.S. Government be fully coordinated.

### PRESIDENTIAL COMMENTS

President Truman, in a note for display along with his portrait at CIA Headquarters, wrote on 9 June 1964:

*To the Central Intelligence Agency, a necessity to the President of the United States, from one who knows.*

President Eisenhower, speaking at the laying of the cornerstone of CIA's new Headquarters Building at Langley, Virginia, on 3 November 1959, said:

*Upon the quality of your work depends in large measure the success of our effort to further the Nation's position in the international scene.*

President Kennedy, addressing the personnel of CIA at its Headquarters on 28 November 1961, emphasized:

*Your successes are unheralded—your failures are trumpeted. . . . But I am sure you realize how important is your work, how essential it is—and . . . in the long sweep of history, how significant your efforts will be judged.*

President Johnson stated at the swearing in of a new Director and Deputy Director at the White House on 28 April 1965:

*The purpose of this [Central Intelligence Agency] effort, like the purpose of all that we do, is to strive for an orderly, just, and peaceful world. In this effort more than in many others a high order of selflessness, of dedication, of devotion, is asked of men and women. The compensation of them comes not in fame, certainly not in rewards of salary, but in the reward of the sure knowledge that they have made a contribution to freedom's cause.*

President Nixon, on the occasion of his visit to Headquarters on 7 March 1969, remarked:

*I know how vitally important the work of this organization is. . . . And in a sense, then, I look upon this organization as . . . one of the great instruments of our Government for the preservation of peace, for the avoidance of war, and for the development of a society in which this kind of activity would not be as necessary, if necessary at all.*

*I know too, that there will be no Purple Hearts, there will be no medals, there will be no recognition of those who have served far beyond the call of duty because by definition where the CIA is concerned your successes must never be publicized and your failures will always be publicized. . . .*

*I know. And I appreciate what you do.*



**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

**OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**

18 September 1972

**MEMORANDUM FOR ALL EMPLOYEES**

On the 18th of September we celebrate the Agency's 25th Anniversary. Starting with the small core which was left after the post-war dissolution of the Office of Strategic Services, we have built a structure capable of providing the broadest range of intelligence support to national policy makers. We are professionals both in substance and in organization. We have had many successes of which we can be proud. Our mistakes may have been noisy but they have been few. While we have been involved in most of the crucial issues of the last 25 years, we have successfully avoided partisanship. I have on so many occasions said that the strength and success of the Central Intelligence Agency rest on its people. It is with personal pride that I count myself one of you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Richard Helms".

Richard Helms  
Director

# AN HISTORICAL EXHIBITION

in observance of the  
25th anniversary  
of the Central Intelligence Agency  
presented by the  
CIA Intelligence Museum Commission

corridor 1D exhibit hall



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